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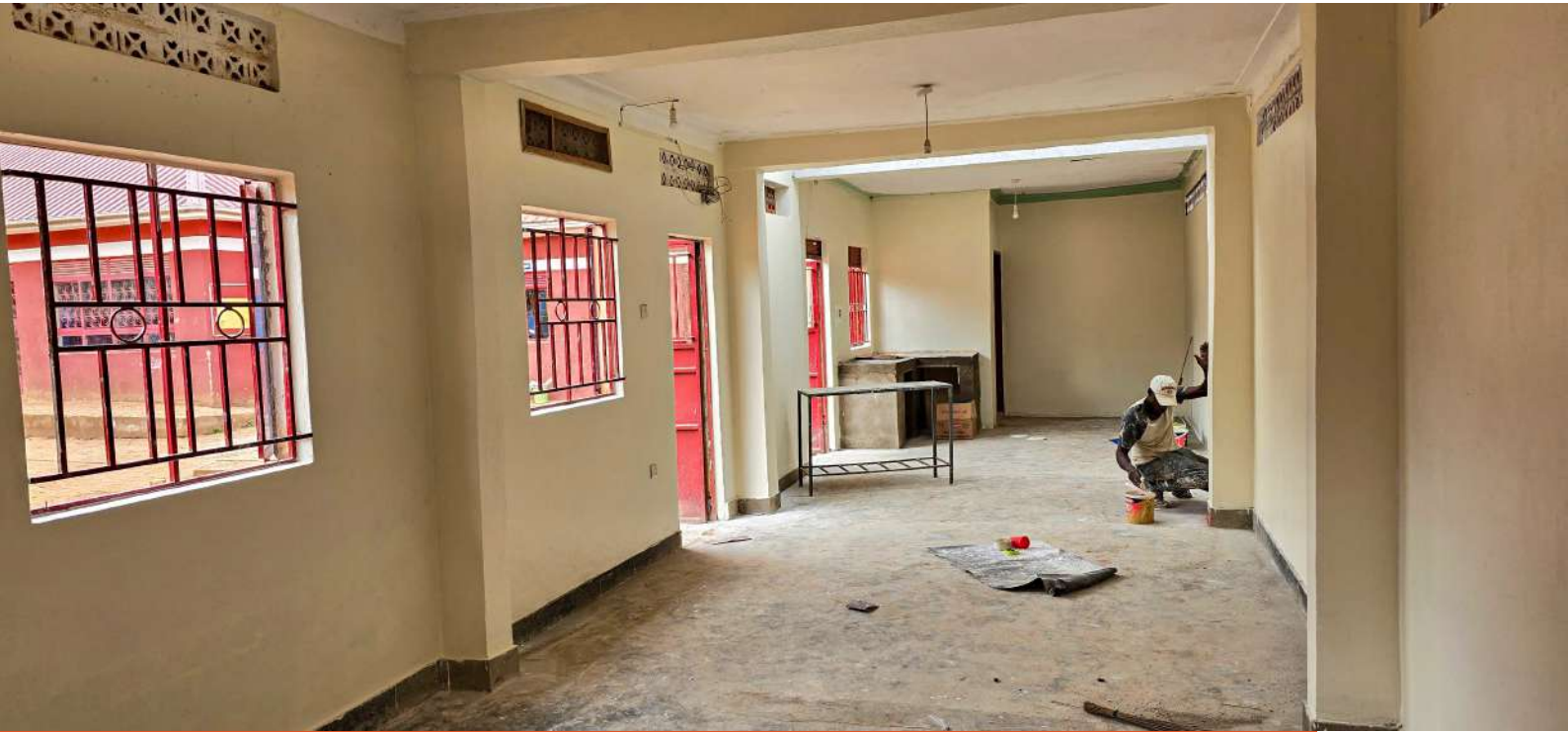
Buddhist Peace School, we are deeply committed to nurturing, not just through academic abilities but also through the emotional and spiritual well-being of our students. Central to this mission is the practice of meditation, a time-honored tradition that we integrate into our daily routine under the guidance of Ven. Pandicca. Meditation at our school is more than just a practice; it is a powerful tool that empowers our students to cultivate inner peace, sharpen their focus, and develop emotional resilience. These sessions provide our students with the mental clarity and emotional balance needed to face life's challenges with confidence and grace. As we continue to foster a peaceful and mindful generation, we see the transformative effects of meditation in our students

every day. Their ability to stay centered, maintain a positive outlook, and approach their studies with renewed energy is a testament to the value of this practice.

We invite you to be part of this journey as we build a future where mindfulness and compassion are at the heart of everything we do. Together, we are shaping a generation that not only excels academically but also embodies the principles of peace and harmony.







## PROGRESS TOWARDS THE FIRST BUDDHIST-BASED HIGH SCHOOL IN AFRICA

We are excited to announce a significant development at the Uganda Buddhist Centre: the construction of a new school laboratory is well underway, marking an essential step toward the establishment of our Buddhist High School. This institution will be the first Buddhist high school in Uganda.

This milestone brings us closer to realizing our vision of providing holistic education rooted in Buddhist values. The science laboratory will be a cornerstone of the school's curriculum, enabling our future students to explore the sciences in an environment that promotes mindfulness, compassion, and wisdom.

We extend our deepest gratitude to all of our supporters whose contributions and encouragement are shaping our mission. Your support continues to drive our mission to create a nurturing educational environment for future generations.



# BHANTE BUDDHARAKKHITA ATTENDS THE INTERNATIONAL BUDDHIST CONFERENCE IN NEW DELHI

Bhante Buddharakkhita, our founder and spiritual leader participated in the recent august International Buddhist Conference. The conference was organized by the International Buddhist Confederation (IBC) in collaboration with Nava Nalanda Mahavihara, Nalanda at its headquarters in New Delhi, India.

The event brought together delegates from various countries to discuss the teachings and influence of Guru Padmasambhava, also known as the Second Buddha.

The conference, supported by the Ministry of Culture, Government of India, highlighted the historical roots of Guru Padmasambhava in Sambalpur, Odisha, India, correcting the common misconception that he was associated with the Swat Valley in Pakistan. The event attracted considerable media attention, with

reports published and telecast across various outlets.

Among the many distinguished attendees was a 38-member delegation from Singapore on a pilgrimage to India.

They were graciously hosted by the Director General of the IBC for lunch and later facilitated in offering prayers to the Holy Buddha Relic at the National Museum in New Delhi.

We are honored to have Bhante Buddharakkhita represent the Uganda Buddhist Centre on such a prominent platform, sharing wisdom and insights from our community with the global Buddhist community. His participation underscores our center's commitment to fostering international dialogue, understanding, and the promotion of Buddhist teachings worldwide.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Bhante Buddharakkhita for his leadership and dedication, and to all those who continue to support our mission of promoting peace, compassion, and enlightenment.







As Term Two ends at Buddhist Peace School, we enter a three-week holiday before resuming our final term of the 2024 academic year on September 16th, 2024.

We extend our deepest gratitude to our incredible students for their hard work, our dedicated teachers for their staunch commitment to our mission, our supportive administrators for their guidance, and our generous sponsors for their continued support. Special gratitude goes to our Supreme Buddhist Leader, Bhante Buddharakkhita, whose vision and dedication inspire us all.

As we prepare for the final term, we are reminded of our shared commitment to nurturing the complete individual, focusing on developing the head, heart, hands, and promoting health, and happiness.







**BUDDHIST PEACE SCHOOL TEACHERS ENGAGE IN AN ENRICHING TRAINING SESSION LED BY TEACHER JULIE WYARD, GUIDED BY OUR HEAD TEACHER STEVEN SSEMWANGA**



**BUDDHIST PEACE SCHOOL NURSERY SECTION ON A SCHOOL TOUR**

# SUPPORTING UGANDA BUDDHIST CENTRE

UBC activities are made possible by many supporters from around the world. Therefore, we are eternally grateful Buddhist Global Relief of USA, Huong Tu Lovingkindness Foundation USA, Buddhist Fellowship of Singapore, Tan Teo Charitable Foundation, and all our beloved donors from around the world.

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